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REV. R. M. HOUGHTON SUNDAY SPEAKER

Y. M. C. A. Secretary Back From The Trenches

Has Delivered Many Lectures on His Work at the Front

Rev. Roy M. Houghton, pastor of the Church of the Redeemer at New Haven, Conn., comes to Middlebury this week under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. as the Sunday vesper speaker. Rev. Houghton has recently returned from France where he served as a "Y" secretary and since his return has delivered a number of lectures on his experiences at the front.

He left New York April 3, 1918. On the thirtieth of that same month he was in a front line trench under the German guns on Mount Sec. For nearly three months he was with the famous Yankee Division (26th) in the Toul sector as a Y. M. C. A. secretary, stationed at Madres, at one end of "Dead Man's Curve," less than a mile from the trenches. He made frequent trips to the trenches, carrying chocolate, cigarettes, cookies, etc., to the men. One afternoon he went with a lieutenant through No Man's Land to within two hundred yards of the German lines. He travelled with the division to the Chateau-Thierry sector and followed the men through the six days' battle, sharing much of the hardships and dangers. In this way he learned the daily life of the soldier and was enabled to see the great battle in which our men rushed across wheatfields swept by machinegun fire, putting the Prussian Guard on the run for ten miles, in the beginning of the big "push" which resulted in final victory.

In addition to the vesper sermon, Rev. Houghton will probably give a twenty-minute talk in Chapel Saturday morning on the work of a Y. M. C. A. man in France and Sunday evening he will give a more detailed account of his overseas experiences before the union church service in the Methodist church.

While he is here he will be glad to talk with anyone who is interested in Christian work for the reconstruction period or with anyone who would like to hear more about the Y. M. C. A. work in France.

T. C. A. OUTPLAYED BY MIDD SECOND QUINTET 34-22

Completely upsetting all advance dope on the basis of the first encounter of three weeks ago Middlebury seconds triumphed over the Troy Conference Academy five by a 34-22 score in the final game of the season last Friday evening in McCullough gymnasium. Ginsburg's baskets in the early moments of the game established a lead over the academy team which was held throughout the two periods. T. C. A. never really threatened Midd's final victory, her poor team-work together with her inferior weight made her no match for the second team.

Excessive roughness characterized the playing in all stages of the game and Referee Miske called fouls freely on both teams. Frazier of the visiting five was ruled off the floor in the last period, having four personal fouls charged against him. Due to the effectual guarding of both Cool and Rheinbrecht neither of the T. C. A. forwards had many chances at baskets

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BRESNAHAN AGAIN CITED FOR BRAVERY

Capt. Bresnahan Awarded D. S. C. by General Pershing

Organized Detachment and Put German Patrol to Route

Word has just been received that Captain Thomas F. Bresnahan of the class of 1917 has been cited for extraordinary heroism in action.

The comment accompanying the official citation of Captain Bresnahan states that, July 15, 1918, "while acting as battalion signal officer Lieutenant

CAPT. THOMAS F. BRESNAHAN

Bresnahan (promoted to a captaincy September 10) organized a detachment of orderlies, runners, and casuals, and attacked a German patrol, which was completely routed."

"Tommy" left college in his senior year to go to Plattsburg with the first quota of men sent there for training as officers and was given a commission as first lieutenant. He was assigned to the military camp at Syracuse and was later attached to the 38th Infantry and went to France. His war record has been an especially honorable one and he has frequently won special commendation from his superior officers. He was wounded in the head in July of last year but soon recovered and immediately returned to duty.

It was in a battle near Mezy that Captain Bresnahan won his distinction.

While at college "Tommy" was one of the best athletes Middlebury has ever had. He was a three letter man being a member of the football, baseball and track teams for four years.

ISAAC C. SMART OF BURLINGTON SPEAKS AT VESPERS

The vesper sermon last Sunday was preached by Isaac Chapman Smart, pastor of the College street Congregational Church at Burlington, who received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Middlebury College in 1909. Dr. Smart's text was "The Prince of Peace," and he showed how the hope of the peace of the world must depend upon the principles of wisdom, might and love which Isiah saw in his prophetic vision of humanity's great Leader.

ANNUAL INITIATION OF PHI BETA KAPPA

Address by Frederick Tupper of Univ. of Vermont

Six Women Elected to Honorary Society Tuesday Morning

One of the academic events of every college year is the initiation of certain members of the senior class into the Phi Beta Kappa Society, that great national organization of college men and women which bases its elections solely upon attainment in scholarship.

The occasion at Middlebury this year was somewhat more formal and elaborate in character than has been the custom previous, the ceremony taking place on Tuesday morning in the chapel at the regular chapel hour. The exercises opened with a processional of the "fratres et sorores in facultate urbeque" and members-elect in cap and gown, and following this the choir entered the chancel singing Horace's famous ode "Integer Vitae."

After an invocation by Dr. Brainerd, Prof. Sanford, the President of the local chapter explained the origin and meaning of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. The candidates then ascended the chancel steps and were given the grip by Prof. Sanford, and received the golden key from Prof. Bryant.

The guest of the college for the occasion was Dr. Frederick Tupper of the University of Vermont, who delivered an address on "National Ideals in Literature." He showed that the literature of a people is the perfect reflector of national thought and national characteristics, and traced the development of American literature from individualism to nationalism, and then to the ideal of broad internationalism which is the spirit of the writing of today.

The exercises ended with a Latin antiphonal by the college choir while the Phi Beta Kappa members left the chancel.

The six new wearers of the key are Marguerite Dver, Ella Fellowes, Eleanor Layton, Ethel Putnam,Mabel Rising, and Priscilla Wood.

ALL PHOTOGRAPHS DUE FOR KALEIDOSCOPE

Due to the necessity of having all of the engraving matter for the Kaleidoscope in the hands of the Howard-Wesson Company of Worcester, Mass., by the twentieth of this month, as provided in the contract, Business Manager Hebard has urged that all sittings be arranged for as soon as possible and that all proofs be returned to Mr. Gove immediately.

The contract with the Tuttle Company of Rutland, which is doing all the printing, also states that one half of this material should be with them within the coming week. In order to insure the Kaleidoscope's being out on schedule time it is of the utmost importance that those concerned should give this their immediate attention.

LAST GET TOGETHER

BEFORE VACATION

BE THERE!

FINAL INTERCLASS GAMES

FRIDAY NIGHT

BASEBALL PRACTICE BEGINS APRIL 1

"Pat" Keefe to Have Entire Charge of Work

"Simmie" Murch Goes to Vermont As Baseball Coach

A recent issue of the University of Vermont "Cynic" announces the fact that Simeon A. ("Simmie") Murch, former athletic head at Middlebury has been released from his duties as Knights of Columbus secretary in one of the Massachusetts cantonments and has been engaged as baseball coach by the university for the coming season. Under his tutelage the Green team recently strengthened by the return of "Ernie" Palmer, the star twirler, should develop into a smooth working nine in time for the game here on May 3, during Junior Week.

Outdoor practice for the Middlebury squad will commence in earnest immediately after the beginning of the Spring term and will be under the personal supervision of "Pat" Keefe, the newly engaged coach, who will report April 1. Already several candidates have been working out in the gymnasium under the direction of Coach Brown indicating that there will be no scarcity of men when actual training commences.

The much-hoped for return of "Jake" Deufel, the varsity's sensational backstop in 1917 is not probable as he has not as yet been able to secure his release from the U. S. Army. Coach Keefe, however, should have little difficulty in picking a fast team from what appears to be a wealth of material. For the pitching staff he will probably rely upon Elmer, who displayed a lot of ability in the class games last spring and Hulihan who comes to Middlebury with the reputation of being the best high school pitcher in the state. Timberman of the freshman class who has played ball for the past few seasons in his home state, New Jersey, as well as Myers from Mineville, N. Y., will also be numbered among the candidates for this year's varsity. Others who are expected to report at the first practice next month include Bower, the only member of the '17 varsity now in college, Holbrook, Jenne, S. Ross, Mead, L. Brown, H. Brown and Lamere.

Manager Douglas has already completed arrangements for twelve games and is negotiating for four or five more. The schedule at present includes several two and three-day trips in southern New England and there is some possibility of one taking in the Maine colleges. The first game, as the schedule now stands, is with Trinity College at Hartford, Conn., on April 26, but in all probabilities this will be preceded by one or more other dates.

S. A. T. C. BULLETIN PUBLISHED BY COLLEGE

A new bulletin is being sent to the alumni and high schools in New England, New York and New Jersey entitled "The Students Army Training Corps at Middlebury." It contains a concise history of the S. A. T. C. at Middlebury, the names of the faculty, military staff and students, as well as numerous photographs of the two companies in various formations and also individual snapshots.

The bulletins may be obtained by any of the students upon request at Dean Wiley's office.

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EDITORIAL

A College Chorus

The prospect of a good college chorus is an attractive one from every point of view, and if it goes through to a successful end, Middlebury will have taken more than one step forward. One criticism which more than any other has been made of the student body is that it lacks the perseverance, the patience, the "stick-to-it-iveness" to put through a project, however enthusiastically entered upon. Therefore, the suggested chorus work, besides accomplishing all of the things mentioned by Acting President Collins will give the student body a chance to redeem itself, and to refute the charge of aimlessness. It is a challenge to us, men and women of Middlebury! What shall our answer be?

Fair Chance For All

It has come to the notice of the editorial staff of The Campus that some partiality has been shown in regard to giving reporters data on various events, plans of certain organizations, and similar items of interest for the college paper. This has no doubt been done with the idea of furthering the interests of certain reporters and in so far as those particular persons were concerned was well enough in its way. But is this fair to others, who may come for information and be refused it on the grounds that it has been promised? It is the policy of The Campus Board to show no preference, but rather to make discriminations, in selecting the material for the good of the paper only. Because of this fact it is most desirable that each article should be written up by several people, in order that some choice may be possible. Such a selection cannot be made if the information on certain events is held for one person only. It, therefore, seems that since we are working for a fair and democratic spirit at Middlebury that no one should have a monopoly on the news from any department. And it is the desire of The Campus Board that this circumstance be corrected in order that fair play may be secured for all who are writing for the paper.

Opinions

Time after time editorials, letters and articles appear in The Campus which should call forth a lot of comment from the student body. Without this comment it is impossible to form an opinion as to whether the students are in favor of the plan suggested or the policy of the editors. Often we hear comment around the campus but it is never anything definite and we are left in the fog as to what conclusions to reach.

Nothing could be a bigger help in securing harmony and cooperation among ourselves than a concensus of opinion which would enable us to get a good working basis. Why not after this, when you have an opinion, put it in print where your fellow students can read it and thus set them thinking about it? In that way we will know whether the students want Rallies, Freshman Roll Call, An Efficient Financial System, Action on the Freshman Question and hundreds of other things that come up before our attention daily.

Small Town Talk

The accusation has been justly brought against Middlebury men and women that they indulge too frequently in "small talk." By "small talk" is meant the discussion of trivial affairs—the placing of personal above impersonal interest.

The oft-repeated question "Why is there such ill-feeling between various groups of students?" is easily answered when you consider that the atmosphere of the college is becoming narrower and more petty each day. You are personally responsible for this situation. You try to excuse yourself from the charge of having indulged in "small talk" on the grounds that everyone does it. You can't do that and be honest with your conscience.

Do you know what "small talk" means to Middlebury? Do you realize what it means to you? It means that Midd can never attain her ideal of democracy, but rather that those, who go out from here must confess that Middlebury atmosphere is petty and trivial, that her students seek only their own interests never giving a thought to the fact that upon them will rest the responsibilities of the world of tomorrow. It means that Middlebury must lose her prestige in the educational fields and will be put down as a poor apology for a real college. "Small talk" spells to you the defeat of your own aims in coming here. It is assumed that you came to Midd to be educated but you have entirely lost sight of the meaning of education if you are indulging in "small talk." By it you must inevitably lose your college idealism, for the aims and aspirations of a truly sincere and broad-minded person can never live beside the trivialities of "small talk." You cannot afford to waste your opportunities when there is such need of educated men and women in the world today. What will you do about it?

Get Up "Pep!"

During the first week in May we will have the opportunity to give Middlebury one of the biggest boosts she has ever had. At that time the annual Junior Week will be held and this year it promises to be bigger and better than any other in the history of the college. Not only will the usual interesting program be arranged but in addition there will be the first Middlebury Interscholastic Track Meet. This will bring a large number of prep and high school men to Middlebury from all over New England and it is up to us to get all primed to give them the best time possible.

We have the surroundings, buildings, campus, scholastic reputation, and faculty and all that remains and in the end the thing that counts the most is to show the visitors that we also have a student body full of spirit and life. The student body is present but the spirit and life have been on the decline and therefore the task before us is to revive it.

Perhaps the best way that this can be accomplished is through a number of real live rallies. Rallies where every man will be out and ready to give everything he has to put the thing across. Couldn't we have a rally at least once a week after Easter vacation and see that the attendance at these was required as it is at any recitation? Have the freshman roll called as was proposed in last week's Campus. The attendance of the upper-classmen should not have to be mentioned. Members of the faculty should be invited and asked to bring their "pep." Smoking should be permitted because the best is always gotten out of a man when he feels content and comfortable.

If by the time May first rolls around the cheering and singing hasn't taken a 100 per cent boost we miss our guess. But in order to make it reach that high mark of efficiency it needs the push of every man behind it. One-two-three, we're off!

No matter how many times we repeat that communications for the "What Others Think" column must be signed with the writer's full name we get anonymous letters every week. We are only too glad to publish every letter that comes to us but we cannot print those whose owners are either ashamed of their ideas or don't think enough of them to endorse them. Again we repeat no communications can be printed unless the writer's full name is signed. It is not necessary to have the writer's name published, however.

The most talked of man on the campus today is the Zone Officer at Washington D. C. I wish we had half the things that those sixty dollar bonuses are going to buy. Remember boys we are not getting a million. Go easy.

When you come back after Easter vacation be sure to bring that bag of "pep" you forgot at Christmas. Let the old spirit and life come back a million strong to one of the best spring terms we have had in a long time.

Here's hoping to see your familiar face on the campus after the slaughter is over.

Let Friday be one big night of "pep" when the inter-class basketball tournament ends with two fast games.

Get ready for the guillotine which commences Monday. They say "he who laughs last laughs best."

What Others Think

OPEN TO ALL

This department aims to be an absolutely impersonal current schedule of campus opinion upon subjects of intense interest. Communications intended for publication must be signed by the author but the name will be withheld upon request.

Save the Rod, Spoil the Child

Dear Editor:

Everybody has noticed the lack of "pep" around college. It seems to be among the underclassmen. They have neither class nor college spirit. What is the trouble? I say, they haven't been brought up properly. If they committed any infringement on our rules, they were taken into the corner, tickled under the chin and told to do better. It was a great joke they said, a regular Sunday School picnic. It takes more than a threat to make a balky horse trot. Perhaps a little physical incentive wouldn't be out of order once in a while. It takes united action to make class spirit. If you don't have class spirit you can't expect college spirit. The best solution to our trouble is to let the sophomores handle the freshmen. Save the rod and you spoil the child.

Strongarm '19

Turn on the Light

Dear Editor:

If the columns of The Campus were used more freely by those who handle the finances of the various student enterprises the feeling of suspicion and dissatisfaction which has existed for several years would soon disappear.

Enterprises which depend upon the public for support should keep the public informed as regards their financial status. As nearly all general student activities at Middlebury are supported by students, faculty and alumni, those people have a right to know how much money is received and for what it is spent.

The treasurer or manager of each activity should, I believe, publish a brief financial statement in The Campus at the end of each season. In cases where an activity is continued throughout the year as in the case of The Campus a quarterly statement should, I think, be published. These statements should be countersigned by an auditor who should be a person of unquestioned honesty.

If those interested would take the trouble to show people that their money is being honestly and judiciously spent there would soon be a marked difference in the support of various worthy activities at Middlebury.

E. J. W. '13

WHAT THE DEAN OF ANOTHER COLLEGE THINKS OF MIDD

The following is a quotation from a letter which Acting President Collins received from the Dean of one of our New England colleges who visited Middlebury some time ago as one of the S. A. T .C. directors.

"I have often thought that I should like to write to some member of Middlebury College in a purely personal and unofficial way, and express my appreciation of what I saw of the College when I visited it last fall as an S. A. T. C. Director. It was my first visit to the college and I have often stated to my colleagues here that there was no institution which I visited in New England which gave me a more agreeable impression of solid substantial work, than Middlebury. I was particularly struck with your system of administration, including the details of office work; and was greatly impressed by the delightful Chapel service that I had the pleasure of attending that morning. My visit gave me a totally new idea of Middlebury."

ALUMNI NOTES

'70. News has been received of the death of Martin Egbert Severance on February 16 at his home in Pendleton, Ore., at 75 years of age. Mr. Severance was a native of the town of Middlebury and a member of the D. U. fraternity. For several years after his graduation he was a surveyor in Minnesota, but in the '70s he became principal of Afton Academy of that state and later of River Falls Institute, Wis. After his career as a teacher he returned to his original work, and was for two years a U. S. deputy surveyor, for 15 years the county surveyor of Ransom County, North Dakota, and city engineer of Lisbon, North Dakota, for 15 years more.

'00. Guy B. Horton has been appointed attorney for the National Life Insurance Company at Montpelier. Since 1906 he has been an attorney at Burlington. He was an instructor of Political Science and History at Middlebury in 1902 and in 1913 lectured on Government and Law at the College.

'06. Gordon D. MacQuivey was a visitor at the Deke House Monday. He expects to leave for Twin Falls, Idaho in a few days where a number of other Middlebury men are.

'13. Alice Easton recently sailed for France on the U. S. S. Leviathan to engage in canteen work.

ex-'16. Ensign C. H. Paulsen, Inspector of Engineering Material at the Hammondsport plant of the Curtiss Aeroplane and Motor Corporation, upon

completion of the Navy contract, has been transferred to the Naval Aircraft Storehouse, Gloucester, N. J.

ex-'18. Walbridge Fullington is still with the army of occupation in France and is at present spending a furlough in the Pyrenees Mountains in Southern France.

'18. Henry M. Crippen visited at the Deke House for a few days. "Hank" was recently released from Naval Aviation and is at present working at Mineville, N. Y., as a surveyor.

ex-'20. Frank Hinchey who recently returned from overseas has been visiting at the Chi Psi Lodge. Frank expects to return to college next term.

PROF. HATHAWAY'S PIANO STUDENTS GIVE MUSICALE

The following enjoyable program was given at the home of Professor Hathaway Tuesday evening by some of the members of his piano course.

Elfentanz — Jensen
John Thomas
Joy and Youth — Hiller
Stanton Eddy
Scherzino—The Chase — Hathaway
Spring's Greeting — Porter
Snowflakes — Meissoiner
Mary Fletcher
L'Avalanche — Heller
Andante — Schumann
The Wild Rider — Schumann
Louise Robinson
Vocal Solo
Lucy Calhoun
Melody in G — F. A. Porter
In My Neighbor's Garden — Nevin
Hilda Woodruff
Valeik — Mojreks
Angeline Simpson
Elegy — Nollet
Prelude (D Minor) — Chaminatte
Prudence Fish

ARMY AND NAVY MEN TO GET SIXTY DOLLAR BONUS

The Army and Navy Journal of March 1, 1919 is authority for the following, in regard to the method of paying $60 Army Bonus:

The War Department authorizes the following statement from the Director of Finance:-

"Section 1406 of the Revenue Act, approved February 24, 1919, authorizes the payment of a bonus of $60 to officers, soldiers, field clerks and nurses of the Army upon honorable separation from active service by discharge, resignation or otherwise. This bonus is not payable to the heirs or representatives of any deceased soldier.

"Those who are discharged hereafter will receive this bonus on the same roll or voucher upon which they are paid their final pay. Those who have been discharged and have received their final pay without the $60 bonus should write a letter to the Zone Finance Officer, Lemon Building, Washington, D. C., stating their service since April 6, 1917, the date of last discharge and their present address to which they desire their bonus checks to be sent, and enclosing with this letter their discharge certificate or military order for discharge or both, if both are issued. Upon the receipt by the Zone Finance Officer, Washington, D. C., of this information and the soldier's discharge certificate, this officer will cause a check to be drawn and mailed to claimants in the order in which their claims were received by him. The discharge certificate will be returned to the soldier with the check.

"It is estimated that at least 1,250,000 persons have been discharged from the service who are entitled to the benefits of this act and while payments will be made as expeditiously as practicable it will manifestly take considerable time to write and mail this many checks."

Alpha Zeta of Alpha Chi announces the pledging of Ruth Cooledge '22, of Bellows Falls and Alice Sniffen '22 of Hampton, Virginia.

FRESHMEN TAKE LEAD IN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The second series of girls' basketball games were held at the McCullough gymnasium last Thursday evening. The games were played between the seniors and juniors and the sophomores and freshmen. The senior-junior game was exciting from start to finish, as the juniors set the pace and kept it until the last ten minutes when the seniors captured the lead. The line-up was as follows:

Seniors—10		Juniors—7
H. Stilphen	r.f.	F. Thomas
A. Novak	l.f.	L. Corkran
D. Severy	c.	R. Bruffee
B. Russell	r.g.	G. Moore
M. Halford	l.g.	E. Holmstrom

The other game was peppy from start to finish. The sides were evenly matched, but owing to the expert passing the freshmen outplayed the sophomores. The line-up was:

Sophomores—10		Freshmen—22
E. Novak	r.f.	A. Putnam
K. Mara	l.f.	D. Mackay
E. Carlson	c.	M. Crathern
E. Schaefer	r.g.	G. Monty
F. Langley	l.g.	K. Rogers

Referee, Miske. Timer, E. Layton. Scorer, A. Littlefield.

INTERESTING LECTURE GIVEN BY LIEUTENANT DENNING

Before a good-sized audience Lieut. Denning of the Y. M. C. A. Missionary Service gave an interesting sterioptican lecture on "Christianity and World Democracy" last Thursday evening in the lecture room of the chemistry building.

Lieut. Denning, a graduate of Hartford Theological Seminary and Brown University, had spent seven years in relief work in the Far-East prior to his enlistment in the U. S. army. The slides were obtained by him personally and pictured vividly the appalling conditions existing throughout a large part of the uncivilized world and contrasted sharply these regions with those where Christianity has already secured a firm foot-hold.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

We are publishing below a corrected schedule of the Second Term examinations. Be sure that you don't miss any of the parties in the Gymnasium. Don't crowd!

MONDAY, MARCH 17

8.15—Biology Special
English 3
English 3a
English 13
German 16
Mathematics 16
Pedagogy 3
10.30—Biology 2
Economics 1
Greek 6
History 4
Latin 1
Pedagogy 5
Philosophy 2
Physics 10
2.00—Chemistry 4
Home Economics 7
Political Science 2

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

8.15—Biology 12
Chemistry 2
English 1a
English 9
Fine Arts 2
German 8
Home Economics 4
Music 1
Philosophy 5
Physical Education 3
10.30—Chemistry 1
Chemistry 14
Drawing and Surveying 5
English 1
English 15
Mathematics 4
Physical Education 3a
2.00—Physics 1
Physics 2
Physics 8
Political Science 8

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

8.15—Drawing and Surveying 1
Drawing and Surveying 2
Drawing and Surveying 3
Economics 8
Greek 14
History 7
Latin 2
Pedagogy 11
Political Science 5
10.30—Chemistry 10
Romance Langs. 2a
Romance Langs. 4
Romance Langs. 5
Romance Langs. 8
2.00—Latin 10
Latin 12
Physical Education 2
Political Science 4

THURSDAY, MARCH 20

8.15—Greek 4
History 10
Latin 4
Mathematics 2
Mathematics 5
Pedagogy 10
10.30—Chemistry 6
Geology 3
Greek 2
Music 5A
Music 5B
Romance Langs. 16a
2.00—Biology 10
Economics 6
German 4
Mathematics 3
Romance Langs. 1a
Romance Langs. 13

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

8.15—Biology 3
Chemistry 12
Economics 2
History 2
History 15
History 17
Home Economics 10
Romance Langs. 18
10.30—Home Economics 2
Home Economics 6
Mathematics 1
Pedagogy 8
Physics 4

COLLEGE CHORUS UNDER DIRECTION OF W. A. BISSEL

It has been thought for some time that a vocal department is necessary in the college. As a means to this end, measures have been taken for establishing a chorus, which shall comprise members from both sides of the college, and co-operate with The Glee Club. It is hoped that considerable interest will be displayed in this enterprise. For the present, at least, there will be but one rehearsal a week. The work will be conducted by Mr. Bissel of Glens Falls, who is especially competent, and the final concert will be given at Commencement. If we make it a success, it means that a Commencement Concert will be inaugurated as a regular event in college life, and, moreover, that some time in the near future, the much needed vocal department will be installed.

You owe it to yourself and to the betterment of your college, to come out and make this a success, whether you think you can sing or not!

FRESHMEN ELECT CHEER LEADER AT CLASS MEETING

At a meeting of the class of 1922 held Monday afternoon in the Hemicycle it was decided to levy an individual tax on all freshmen. This tax is expected to take care of all financial needs of the class for the rest of the year.

An election of a cheerleader was held which resulted in the choice of Potratz for the position. The class as a whole will be out to support their team at the interclass basketball contests Friday night.

COLUMBIA UNIV. TO TRY OUT PSYCHOLOGICAL TEST

The faculty of Columbia College, the undergraduate department of Columbia University, at a meeting Monday, January 20, voted to abolish the old-style examination for admission and substitute psychology tests to measure the student's intelligence, rather than his learning. The tests will be similar to those applied to applicants for the Students Army Training Corps, and will be used for the academic year beginning next September. Professor A. L. Jones, head of the Department of Admission of the university, said that the action of the Faculty was in step with the progress of the times.

"These tests," he added, "are a development of those formulated a dozen and more years ago in France by Alfred Binet for the discovery of mentally retarded children Much constructive work has been done in this country, particularly at the Leland Stanford Junior University, Harvard, and other institutions. It has been found that many preparatory and high school students can be coached to pass college entrance examinations whose intelligence does not class them as good material for further education.

"In our requirements for admission to Columbia College are included the applicant's health record, his character and promise of development, and his school record, and these will be embraced in the new requirements. The most radical departure will be the entire doing away with the old-style examinations that were given to establish the applicant's knowledge of the subjects required for admission to college. This will be covered by his school record, and the psychological tests will demonstrate whether he is qualified to continue his schooling."

Dean Herbert E. Hawkes of Columbia College explained that the tests were being prepared by Professor E. L. Thorndyke of Teachers College of Columbia, and that they would be changed each year, although, he said, the psychologists say there is not much likelihood of an applicant being able to cram up on a set of tests, even if they were at his disposal.

"We expect these tests to show us whether it will be worth our while to try to educate a student, and whether it will be worth his while," Dean Hawkes said.

"BLACKS" WIN WOMEN'S COMPETITIVE GYMNASTIC DRILL

One of the recent indications of the increasing importance of the Athletic Association among the activities of the Women's College was the freshman competitive gymnastic drill which took place in the gym last Saturday between the Wearers of the Red Ties and the Wearers of the Black. The individuals in the competing sections were chosen alternately by the two captains, Marian Crathern and Margaret Dickinson and included all the freshmen taking gymnastic work. The exhibition represented some of the results of the regular indoor gymnastic season, and consist- of six parts as follows:

I. Marching Tactics and Runs
II. Gymnastic Exercises
III. Relay Race
IV. English Folk Dance, "Black Nag."
V. Apparatus Work
VI. English Folk Dance, "Gathering Peascods."

In the floor work each section was judged as a whole. In the apparatus work members of each section were judged individually. Erectness of carriage, quickness of response, precision and uniformity of movement were the qualities which counted for points. The contest was very closely matched and the report of the judges who were Miss Cram of U. V. M. and the members of the advanced gymnasium class, gave the victory to Captain Dickinson's "Blacks" by a score of 48.9 to 46.

PLEDGEES ANNOUNCED

Alpha Sigma Phi announces the pledging of Robert H. Whitney '22 of Bridgeport, Conn.

Henry William Fitzpatrick '22, of Ottawa, Canada, has been pledged by the Alpha Alpha chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

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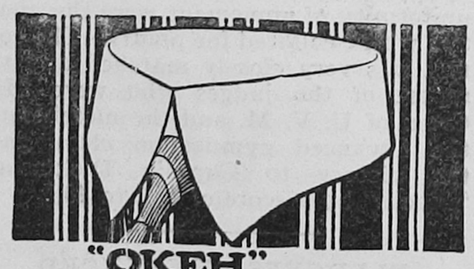

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and frequently during the course of the game they were obliged to try long shots from near the center of the court at the risk of losing the ball. Thrall, at the left guard position on the Poultney team, was the mainstay of their defense but on account of his diminutive size was not to any great extent effective against either of the college forwards.

Whatever fast playing was seen, occurred at intervals during the course of the game. The visitors relied almost entirely on "Chuck" Leonard, the speedy forward for their point-getting and he alone furnished a large share of the spectacular playing by his frequently successful attempts at baskets from near the center line. Sam Davis, though late in getting started presumably because of a lack of practice in the early part of the week, accounted for all of his five baskets in the final period in addition to four from the foul line.

The summary:

T. C. A.—22		Midd 2nds—34
W. Leonard	r.f.	Ginsburg
C. Leonard	l.f.	Davis
Liberty	c.	Timberman
Frazier (Solona)	r.g.	Cool
Thrall	l.g.	Rheinbrecht

Goals from floor: C. Leonard 6; Ginsburg 6; Davis 5; Timberman 2; W. Leonard; Liberty. Goals from foul line; C. Leonard 6; Ginsburg 4; Davis 4. Referee, Miske. Timer, Hebard. Scorer, Law.

MR. HEPBURN MAKES PLEA FOR STUDY OF MOD. LANGUAGES

As the result of a plea recently made before the New York Chamber of Commerce by A. Barton Hepburn, one of Middlebury's most famous alumni, a resolution was passed to adopt a plan for the encouragement of the study of modern languages.

Mr. Hepburn stated that the ability to do business in foreign languages is the one thing above all others which the United States needs to increase its commercial advantage. He pointed to the great opportunity for trade with South America which naturally belongs to our country, but which we are not well enough equipped to handle.

The plan of action which he suggested was the establishment of a system of examinations of two different grades with certificates of efficiency for those who successfully pass them. By requiring proficiency in one modern language besides English for the junior grade, and two for the senior grade the Chamber will be proclaiming to the public the studies which it considers indispensable branches of business education. It is hoped that the commercial advantage of the certificates will cause them to be sought, thus focusing the thoughts of educators and students upon the importance and necessity of the study of modern languages.

PHYSCHOLOGICAL TEST GIVEN TO PEDAGOGY STUDENTS

In connection with the article on the psychological tests, which Columbia University has instituted to take the place of entrance exams, it is interesting to note the following statement from the Department of Pedagogy at Middlebury.

"The U. S. Army psychological tests designed to measure general intelligence were recently given to the forty students taking Educational Psychology (Pedagogy 11) with interesting results. The series consists of eight tests with a total of 212 points, and the ranks earned range from A to D. No member of the class ranked lower than C plus while 80 per cent ranked either A or B. The record of the class is approximately that of commissioned officers in the army. There is a very close correlation between the ranks earned in the test and the scholarship records in the college."

This statement indicates that Middlebury is advancing in more than one way. Her new projects are not confined entirely to financial ends but include improvement of her scholastic departments to keep pace with modern customs. Perhaps in the future this college will adopt some system of entrance exams similar to those which Columbia is now testing out.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE TRY IT

By John Rodemeyer

OH, SAY, can you sing from the start to the end,
What so proudly you stand for when orchestras play it;
When the whole congregation, in voices that blend,
Strike up the grand hymn, and then torture and slay it?
How they bellow and shout when they're first starting out,
But "the dawn's early light" finds them floundering about,
'Tis "The Star Spangled Banner" they're trying to sing,
But they don't know the words of the precious old thing.

Hark! The "twilight's last gleaming" has some of them stopped,
But the valiant survivors press forward serenely
To "the ramparts we watched," where some others are dropped
And the loss of the leaders is manifest keenly.
Then "the rockets' red glare" gives the bravest a scare,
And there's few left to face the "bombs bursting in air"—
Tis a thin line of heroes that manage to save
The last of the verse and "the home of the brave."

Within the past two weeks we have uncovered two little ditties which we think well deserve a place in "jinglistic" literature especially since they boast such learned sponsors.

The first is taken from "College Studies and College Tests" which appeared in the September 1917 issue of the Harper's Monthly Magazine from the pen of no less a scholar than President Hadley of Yale University. It is in the form of a translation of that famous passage in Horace which reads:

"Sunt quos curriculo pulverem Olympicum
Collegisse juvat, metaque fervidis
Evitata rotis palmaque nobilis."

The translation is as follows:

"Some like to raise Olympic dust
Through four years' course in college,
And clip the corners extra close
To win the prize for knowledge."

The second little ditty we found in that masterful work of Henry Jones Ford, entitled "Woodrow Wilson, the Man and His Work." It appears under the chapter on "Personal Qualities" and is quoted as one of the President's favorite rhymes. It runs:

"As a beauty I am not a star,
There are others more handsome by far.
But my looks—I don't mind them,
For I am behind them:
The people in the front get the jar!"

TO THOSE WHO COULD NOT GO

We feel we have not done our part
To save the world and make it free.
We have a longing in our heart
That longing there shall ever be.
For we shall hear, through all the years,
Of battles won with valor fair.
One thought shall dim our eyes with tears
"I was not there, I was not there."
We, too, were eager for the fray.
We hoped that we might have the chance
To prove our mettle and to pay,
If need be, with our blood, in France.
That cannot be, but we can live
And cherish still the truth and right,
And catch the torch from those who give
Their all, that it may shed its light.

W. A. H.

A LABORATORY LOVE SONG

Oh! come where the Cyanides silently flow,
And the Carburets droop on the Oxides below;
Where the rays of Potassium glow on the hill,
And the song of the Silicates never is still!
Come, oh! come!
Tumti tum, tum!

Peroxide of soda, and Uranium,
While Alcohol's liquid at thirty degrees,
And no chemical change can effect Manganese;
While Alkalis flourish, and Acids are free,
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